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Status						
1)⊠ Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>09 Oc</u>	ctober 2006					
	action is non-final.					
/=	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is					
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Disposition of Claims	•					
4)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-19</u> is/are pending in the application.						
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	4a) Of the above claim(s) <u>5-11,13-15,18 and 19</u> is/are withdrawn from consideration.					
5) Claim(s) is/are allowed.						
6)⊠ Claim(s) <u>1-4,12,16 and 17</u> is/are rejected.						
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o) Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or	election requirement.					
Application Papers						
9) The specification is objected to by the Examine	r.					
10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) ☐ acce	epted or b) objected to by the E	Examiner.				
Applicant may not request that any objection to the	drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See	9 37 CFR 1.85(a).				
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correcti	ion is required if the drawing(s) is obj	ected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).				
11)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Ex	aminer. Note the attached Office	Action or form PTO-152.				
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119						
12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:	priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)	-(d) or (f).				
1. Certified copies of the priority documents	1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.					
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Copies of the certified copies of the prior	ity documents have been receive	d in this National Stage				
application from the International Bureau	(PCT Rule 17.2(a)).					
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list	of the certified copies not receive	d.				
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1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)	4) Interview Summary					
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DETAILED ACTION

Specification

- 1. The substitute specification filed 6/26/06 has not been entered because it does not conform to 37 CFR 1.125(b) and (c) because: the marked up version does not include all the additional text in underlined form, and additionally a clean copy has not been provided.
- 2. The disclosure is also objected to because the Brief description of the Drawings should include a description of each drawing separately.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

- 3. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:
 The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.
- 4. Claims 1-4, 12, 16 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. Claims 1 and 16 recite "the right front tire and left rear tire" and "the left front tire and right rear tire". There is insufficient antecedent basis for this limitation in the claim. The Examiner suggests changing "the right front tire and left rear tire" to "a right front tire and a left rear tire" and changing "the left front tire and right rear tire" to "a left front tire and a right rear tire". Further regarding claim 16, is weight synonymous with vertical load? (See the difference between paragraphs b) and c). Additionally, it is not understood what is intended by "linear increase on the weight weight left front tire and right rear tire".

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

5. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
- 6. Claims 1, 12, 16 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Fujita et al. (US 4,650,213.) Fujita teaches (Figure 2 and col. 3, lines 41-68) teaches a dynamic weight jacking suspension that is controlled by steering angle. An incremental clockwise rotation will increase weight on the right front tire and counterclockwise will increase weight on the left front tire (see Figure 2) Regarding the rear wheels, when the opposite front wheel is pushed down, the rear wheel goes up, inherently.
- 7. Claims 1, 2, 3 and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Crowder (US 2,757,938.) Crowder teaches a dynamic weight jacking suspension that is controlled by steering angle. An incremental clockwise rotation will increase weight on the right front tire and counterclockwise will increase weight on the left front tire (see figure 2 and col. 3, lines 17-33.) Regarding the rear wheels, when the opposite front wheel is pushed down, the rear wheel goes up, inherently. Regarding claim 2, the weight jacking is accomplished by changing the geometry of an anti-sway bar (10.) Regarding claim 3, as broadly recited, Crowder teaches a mechanical linkage (14,18,19.)

Allowable Subject Matter

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8. Claim 4 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Response to Arguments

9. Applicant's arguments with respect to the claims have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Ruth Ilan whose telephone number is 571-272-6673. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Paul Dickson can be reached on 571-272-6669. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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